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1. (S) In accordance with your recommendations contained in Reference B, the following actions are authorized with respect to US Forces assigned missions along the sector/sector or sector/zonal borders of Berlin:

a. The West Berlin police are responsible for the maintenance of law and order along the sector/sector and sector/zonal borders, and within West Berlin. Normally, US Forces will be employed to reinforce the West Berlin police only after the police have committed their own reinforcements, and are in obvious need of assistance, as described under the emergency

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conditions indicated below.

b. The measures indicated below are authorized in the absence of adequate West Berlin police only in a situation in which US troops become involved involuntarily by virtue of their presence at the scene of action.

c. Whenever possible, commanders of patrols or units will first make the presence of US Forces known to communists in the vicinity. If this fails to restore order commanders may use force and, if absolutely necessary, open fire under the emergency circumstances described below:

(1) In self-defense. The US Commander is authorized to return fire only so long as his unit is under fire.

(2) To cover the withdrawal of US, British, or French forces from East Berlin, who are being fired upon in the vicinity of the sector/sector border by communist forces.

(3) To protect individuals or groups of individuals in the categories and under the circumstances listed below whose lives are immediately endangered by communist actions:

(a) Members of the West Berlin police operating in West Berlin, who, after having exhausted their own immediate defense capability, are in obvious need of assistance.

(b) Members and their dependents of the Allied Garrison, Berlin.

(c) Civilians, who without provocation are directly fired upon from the East Berlin sector or who are attacked in the course of unauthorized communist incursions in West Berlin.

(d) Refugees and/or other personnel attempting to flee East Berlin and/or East Germany who have entered West Berlin territory and who are under direct

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fire delivered from East Berlin or East Germany or who are attacked by demonstrators in the course of unauthorized pursuit into West Berlin.

(h) To prevent the capture or damage of military, or West Berlin police, equipment, or property.

d. Force used will be minimum necessary to accomplish the desired result.

e. The use of force will be discontinued when no longer necessary to accomplish the immediate purpose.

f. A warning shot will first be fired and subsequent shots which may be necessary will be aimed to wound rather than kill.

g. Every effort will be taken to avoid injuring innocent personnel.

h. As soon as the desired effect has been achieved the following action will be taken:

(1) Stop firing at once.

(2) Give immediate assistance to the wounded.

(3) Collect and hold dead bodies.

(4) Disperse the crowd.

(5) Turn over persons taken into military custody to West Berlin police as soon as possible.

i. A careful record of events, decisions, and orders taken in accordance with the authority granted herein will be maintained.

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